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SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS.

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The compiler wishes to produce a more complete history of the descendants of Charles Allen, and this pamphlet is put forth with the hope that it may reach those who possess information of value.

All parties interested are requested to communicate with the writer.

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CHARLES ALLEN AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. Charles[1] Allen,* of Strawberry Bank (Portsmouth), N. H., is first mentioned as a participant in the distribution of land to inhabitants "unto the year 1657." (Portsmouth Town Records.) Whence he came does not yet appear. Provincial Court Records, 1667, page 647, refer to "Charles Allen aged 40 or thereabouts"; and again in 1683, page 411, "Charles Allen about 60 years old." An average of these two items of record would establish his birth about 1625, the year Charles I. ascended the throne of England. The next record found of him is in 1667, when he was published and married to Suzanna (baptized Sept., 1640), daughter of John and Bridget Huggins of Hampton, N. H. (Register, Vol. 6, p. 205.)

This was the second marriage of Charles, for in a deed conveying his lands and property in Greenland, N. H., to Suzanna Huggins, and dated 1666, he refers to his daughter Mary by a former wife. In 1671 his name appears as a subscriber for Mr. Moody's maintenance. (Portsmouth Town Records, Vol. 1, page 71.) In 1688, "Charles Alling" appears among the inhabitants of Greenland, N. H. (Brewster's Portsmouth Rambles, 1st series, page 61.) Charles seems to have died about 1705, as at that time (Oct. 7, 1705) appears on record, in Vol. 7, page 175, Rockingham County (N. H.) Records of Real Estate transfers, a deed in which he mentions the following children:

2. i. Daniel.[2]
   ii. Suzanna; admitted to church in Greenland, 1713.
   iii. Martha; m. ——— Bickford, and lived in Dover, N. H., 1742.
3. iv. John.
   v. Charles, m. Joanna Scott of Newbury, Mass., 1703. In 1744 he appears as a resident of Wells, Maine.
4. vi. Jude.

2. Daniel[2] Allen (*Charles*[1]), date of birth unknown, was married to Hannah Berry, prior to 1705, and appeared in a "List of Rates" in Greenland, N. H., 1742, but not after; and all Lists of Rates prior to 1742 are missing. (From Town Clerk of Greenland.) He was a pewholder in Portsmouth, N. H., 1693 (Portsmouth Rambles, Vol. 1, p. 64); paid parish rates in Greenland, N. H., 1711–12 (Register, Vol. 22, page 452); and died Jan. 22, 1746 (Greenland Church Records).

His children were:

5. i. John,[3] adopted by covenant of his uncle John Allen, 1714.
6. ii. Daniel, Jr. (Greenland Church Records.)

3. John[2] Allen (*Charles*[1]), date of birth unknown, was not of age in 1705. He left Greenland, N. H., about 1714; was a resident

* No mention of Charles Allen is made in any of the genealogical dictionaries, and apparently the compiler of the history of this branch of the Allen family may lay claim to the honor of first introducing him to genealogists.

of Durham, N. H., 1717; and in 1734 he appears in Rochester, N. H., where he probably died. His wife's name was Mary, and they had the following children, all born at Durham, N. H.:

i. William,[3] bap. Sept. 1, 1717. (A William appears in Rochester, N. H., 1746.)
ii. Bridget, bap. May 24, 1719.
iii. Nathan, bap. Aug. 6, 1721. (A Nathan appears in Rochester, N. H., 1746.)
iv. Mary, bap. Sept. 9, 1724. (A Mary m. John Follet, Jr., of Durham, Oct. 6, 1757.)
v. Abigail, bap. Aug. 7, 1726.
vi. Martha, bap. Aug. 24, 1729. (A Martha m. Wm. Macfee at Rochester, April 22, 1751.)

4. Jude[2] Allen (*Charles*[1]), married Deborah ———, previous to 1726; and died prior to 1750, as on that date, in Book 106, page 448, Rockingham Co. Records, appears a deed given by John Allen, Jr., of Greenland, N. H., and others, to Joseph Meloon, Jr., of Greenland, in which the following appears: "Sold to my father, Jude Allen, and by reason that my father's estate is not fully settled, all we that are heirs to my father's estate will freely sign this deed." To which is appended the signatures of the following children, excepting Eleazer and Jethro:

i. John, Jr.[3]
7. ii. Samuel.
iii. Jude.
iv. Josiah, b. 1721; d. Wakefield, N. H., Aug. 11, 1799. His wife, named Mary, d. 1794, aged 73, at Wakefield, N. H.
v. Deborah, m. Nathan Goss, between 1740 and 1750.
8. vi. Eleazer.
vii. Jethro, bap. 1714; believed to have died young, no further trace of him being found. On Dec. 8, 1740, was executed a deed from Samuel Allen weaver, Jude Allen cordwainer, and Deborah Allen spinster, all of Stratham, in the Province of New Hampshire, "to our brother John Allen Jr. of Greenland, in said Province, Husbandman," in which is conveyed "all ye lands, meadow ground, goods & chattels yt did belong unto our Hond. grandfather Charles Allen Senr of Greenland."

Jude's name appears on the list of soldiers at Fort William and Mary, 1708.

5. John[3] Allen (*Daniel*,[2] *Charles*[1]) was adopted by his uncle John Allen, in 1714. We find no record of his marriage; but he had children:

i. Reuben,[4] b. 1738?, bap. 1742; probably this was the Reuben who d. at Gilmanton, N. H., in 1821, aged 83, leaving 114 descendants. (See N. H. Patriot, issue of July 20, 1821.)
ii. John, bap. 1741; believed to have m. Betty Hoit, at Epsom, N. H., Jan. 4, 1772.
iii. Hannah, bap. 1742; d. 1742.
iv. A child, d. 1743.

6. Daniel[3] Allen (*Daniel*,[2] *Charles*[1]), date of birth not ascertained, was admitted to the church in Greenland, N. H., 1728. He enlisted from Greenland for the Louisburg Expedition, 1745; and was also in service nine weeks during 1748. He was twice married; the name of first wife is unknown. He married second, Lydia Hicks (she had a daughter Eliza Hicks), prior to 1756.

He had the following children by first wife:

i. Suzannah,[4] bap. 1741.
ii. Sarah, bap. 1741.
9. iii. Josiah, b. 1744; bap. 1745.

7. Samuel[3] Allen (*Jude*,[2] *Charles*[1]), born at Stratham, N. H., 1711, baptized 1714, was a weaver; removed about 1770 to Wakefield, N. H., where he died at the home of his son Abner, in 1808, aged 97 years. He married Annie Clark, born 1714, who died at Wakefield, N. H., June 5, 1789, aged 75 years.

They had the following children, all born at Stratham:

i. Jude,[4]
10. ii. Samuel.
11. iii. Abner.
iv. Suzan, m. ——— Merrill, and lived at Parsonsfield, Me.
v. Child, d. Sept. 5, 1750. (Register, Vol. 47, pp. 478–9.)
vi. Child, d. Sept. 15, 1750, "at Father Clark's."
vii. Child, d. July 27, 1753.

8. Eleazer[3] Allen (*Jude*,[2] *Charles*[1]), baptized at Greenland, N. H., 1723, and probably born that year. "Eleazer Allen's wife died" Aug. 11, 1750. (Register, Vol. 47, p. 478.) He appears in Pembroke, N. H., 1760; and later moved to Deerfield, N. H., where he died, 1782. He married second, Deborah ———, who died at Deerfield, N. H., 1803, aged 95 years. His will, recorded Aug. 14, 1782, makes reference to "my daughter Deborah Ladd."

Child:

i. Deborah,[4] m. ——— Ladd.

9. Josiah[4] Allen (*Daniel*,[3] *Daniel*,[2] *Charles*[1]), born in Greenland, May 31, 1744; married, 1779, Bathsheba, dau. of James Nelson of Newmarket, N. H., who was born June 30, 1755. He died at Epsom, N. H., 1821. He was wounded at the battle of Bunker Hill, and subsequently was in Capt. Nathan Brown's Co., Col. Long's regiment, 1776–1777.

They had the following children:

i. Joseph,[5] b. Mar. 11, 1781; m. 1812, Mary Batchelder of Deerfield, N. H.; d. Feb. 22, 1863.
ii. Polly, b. Sept. 11, 1782; m. 1802, Nathaniel Rawlins; d. Feb. 20, 1870, at Epsom, N. H.
iii. Hannah, b. Oct. 13, 1784; m. (1) 1818, John Lock; m. (2) 1825, Jesse Harriman of Raymond, N. H. She d. Feb. 7, 1868.
iv. Josiah H., b. July 11, 1786; m. Betsy Merrill; d. Mar. 11, 1869.
v. Lydia, b. Mar. 22, 1788; d. Aug. 1869; unm.
vi. Ezra,* b. July 17, 1790; m. (1) Feb. 10, 1814, Sarah M. Batchelder of Deerfield; m. (2) Sept. 6, 1849, Elizabeth Colby of Hopkinton. He d. Dec. 31, 1865.
vii. Betsey, b. Jan. 24, 1792; d. Mar. 13, 1859; unm.
viii. Bathsheba, b. Mar. 11, 1794; d. Mar. 16, 1879; unm.
ix. Nancy, b. Jan. 19, 1798; m. July 13, 1818, Joseph Graves; d. April, 1871.
x. Daniel, b. Aug. 4, 1799; d. May, 1824; unm.

10. Samuel[4] Allen (*Samuel*,[3] *Jude*,[2] *Charles*[1]) was born at Stratham, N. H., and removed, with his father, to Wakefield, N. H., about

* I am indebted to Mr. Daniel C. Allen[6] (Ezra,[5] Josiah,[4] Daniel,[3] Daniel[2]) of Concord, N. H., for information relating to his line of descent.

1770. Little else is known of him, as the records of Stratham were destroyed by fire many years ago. He married —— Stockbridge, and the following are believed to be all their children:

i. SUZAN.[5]
ii. LEAH.
12. iii. SAMUEL.
13. iv. ELIJAH.
v. ELIZABETH (?).

11. ABNER[4] ALLEN (*Samuel*,[3] *Jude*,[2] *Charles*[1]) was born at Stratham, N. H., Feb. 28, 1748, and settled in Wakefield, N. H., about 1770. He married, Nov. 15, 1770, Elizabeth, dau. of William Johnson; and died at the home of Daniel M. Page, in 1835, aged 87 years.

His children were:

i. DAVID,[5] b. Dec. 17, 1774.
ii. NANCY, believed to have m., Dec. 4, 1796, Josiah Frost of Wolfboro', N. H.
iii. LYDIA, m. Sept. 6, 1804, James Hardy of Wakefield, N. H.
iv. JAMES, b. July 11, 1787; believed to have m., Oct. 29, 1808, Sally Dealing of Wakefield, N. H.
v. SARAH, b. Jan. 13, 1790; believed to have m., July 3, 1815, David Giles of Wakefield, N. H.
vi. MARY, b. Feb. 28, 1782; m. Mar. 14, 1810, Daniel M. Page of Wakefield, N. H.

12. SAMUEL[5] ALLEN (*Samuel*,[4] *Samuel*,[3] *Jude*,[2] *Charles*[1]) was born 1772, probably at Wakefield, N. H.; and died at Parsonsfield, Me., Sept. 2, 1842, aged 70 years. He was a blacksmith. He married, Aug. 26, 1793, at Wakefield, Mehitable York, who died at Parsonsfield, Me., July 4, 1863, aged 93.

Their children were:

i. JOHN,[6] m. Joanna Young of Waterboro', Me.
ii. ELIJAH, d. unm.
iii. HENRY, m. Sally Wedgwood of Parsonsfield, Me.
iv. NANCY, m. Jonathan Philbrick.
v. SAMUEL, d. when 11 years old.
vi. ENOCH, m. (1) Mary Wedgwood; m. (2) —— Brackett.
vii. SALLY, m. Marquis Emery of Parsonsfield, Me.
viii. AMASA, b. June 26, 1810, at Parsonsfield; m. Sophia Pease; d. at Bangor, Me.
ix. IRA, b. Aug. 25, 1812, at Parsonsfield; m. (1) Mrs. —— Sweet of Bangor; m. (2) Mrs. —— Cordwell.

13. ELIJAH[5] ALLEN (*Samuel*,[4] *Samuel*,[3] *Jude*,[2] *Charles*[1]), born 1763, probably at Stratham, N. H.; died Oct. 19, 1839, at Limerick, Me., aged 76. He married (1) Mehitable, daughter of Avery Hall, Esq., of Wakefield, N. H., who died June 25, 1800, at Corinth, Vt.; married (2) Mrs. Hannah Perry, at Limerick, Me, Oct. 27, 1806.

Children, by first wife:

i. THEOPHILUS HALL,[6] b. June 7, 1789, at Wakefield, N. H.; d. at Parsonsfield, Me.
ii. ANDREW LEE, b. Nov. 24, 1791; d. Aug. 14, 1870, at Provo, Utah.
iii. ELIJAH LORENZO MORTIMER, b. Jan. 14, 1794, at Corinth, Vt.
iv. MEHITABLE, b. Mar. 5, 1796, at Corinth, Vt.; d. July 4, 1821, at Cornville, Me.; unm.

Child, by second wife:

v. HANNAH, m. Sept. 20, 1827, Samuel L. Bryant of Limerick, Me.

14. Elijah[6] Lorenzo Mortimer Allen (*Elijah*,[5] *Samuel*,[4] *Samuel*,[3] *Jude*,[2] *Charles*[1]), born Jan. 14, 1794, at Corinth, Vt.; died in Ellsworth, Me., Jan. 5, 1876; married, May 4, 1823, Miss Hepsibah B. Adams of Ellsworth. She died at Ellsworth, Sept. 29, 1846. He married Mrs. Clarissa Jordan of Ellsworth, Jan. 1, 1848, where she died Sept. 15, 1867. No children by this marriage.

Children by first marriage, all born at Ellsworth:

i. Andrew Lee,[7] b. May 12, 1824; d. Nov. 3, 1850, at Ellsworth, Me.; m. June, 1848, Harriet S. Edwards, at Belfast, Me.
ii. Daniel Mortimer, b. June 4, 1826; d. Aug. 12, 1865, at Bimini Island, one of the Bahamas.
iii. John Quincy Adams, b. April 12, 1828; d. July 9, 1835.
iv. Henry Clay, b. Nov. 9, 1829; father of Frank W. Allen of Skowhegan, Me.
v. Mehitable, b. Dec. 4, 1831; d. at Mt. Desert, Me., May 18, 1894; m. Aug. 25, 1850, Andrew J. Whiting of Mt. Desert. No children.
vi. William H., b. Dec. 29, 1833; d. April 26, 1874, at Green Cove Springs, Florida.
vii. Augusta Ann, b. Nov. 20, 1836; d. Sept. 20, 1846.
viii. Lucy Fisk, b. March 13, 1840; d. July 2, 1889, at Mt. Desert; m. John W. Somes of Mt. Desert.
ix. Chandler Hayden, b. March 13, 1840; twin to Lucy; d. Oct. 8, 1840.
x. Maria Thompson, b. Jan. 29, 1842; d. Feb. 12, 1859, at Nashua, N. H.
xi. Clara Jordan, b. March 6, 1845; d. Sept. 19, 1846.
xii. Child, b. Sept. 16, 1846; lived but few hours.

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